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[illegible] ceremony in Parliament, Presidents PSC, Liberal and Socialist parties received by King to whom they read [illegible] of thanks for King's act enabling Prince Royal to take over King's constitutional prerogatives. Socialist message states that with other national parties Socialists will bring new Chief of State their most loyal political [illegible] will do everything to bring about union of [illegible] around Prince in order to assure his succession to [illegible] concord and renewed peace.

[illegible] cabinet states that he is much [illegible] Parliament's reception of Prince Royal; this [illegible] King's act had not been in vain; King appreciated [illegible] promise to group themselves around Prince. King's [illegible] that he has faith in destiny of Belgium [illegible] representatives of nation will sincerely devote themselves [illegible] appeasement and concord as they have agreed.

[illegible] main radio broadcast appealing to all Belgians and [illegible] to those "who have remained faithful to me" to [illegible] calm indispensable for national concord and to forget [illegible] grievances. He thanked Belgians who had expressed [illegible] loyalty to him and asked them to give this attachment [illegible] son. King said most ardent desire was that all Belgians [illegible] party gather reconciled around Prince Royal who [illegible] embody unity of country.

[illegible] opposing factions after violently stirring up [illegible] for years now have made a well-concerted effort [illegible] launched with as much dignity and speed as possible.

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